Land Surveyor Licensing Law – Recodification

PL Chapter 180 was enacted by the 1st Regular Session of the 126th Legislature. The new statutory citation for the Land Surveyor Licensing Law is 32 M.R.S.A. c. 141 and becomes effective on January 1, 2014.

The changes to the former Land Surveyor Licensing Law (32 M.R.S.A. c. 121) are primarily technical changes that re-organize the law into sub-chapters and repeal outdated provisions.

Two Changes of Note:

1. A new license pathway for non-resident land-surveyor-in-training applicants has been added (see Section 18224 [2][A]); and

2. Continuing Education Requirements for December 2015 Renewals: Section 18225 authorizes the Board to adopt continuing education requirements by rule. The Board is in the process of proposing continuing education rules and it is likely that the proposed rules will be reviewed at the August 27, 2013 Board meeting. Once the proposed continuing education rules are approved by the Board a public hearing will be scheduled later in the fall or early winter 2013. Notice of the public hearing will be posted on the website as soon as the date and time is scheduled.

The proposed change to the continuing education requirement for renewal is effective for the December 2015 renewal cycle. Licensees completing continuing education for the December 2013 renewal cycle are required to meet the current continuing education requirement as set out in 32 M.R.S.A. §13908 (4) and Chapter 70 of the Board’s rules.